

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

Listing of Claims

41 1. (currently amended) A telephone connected to a local area network; performing voice communication with another telephone through said local area network, said telephone comprising:

a function, operable during voice communication, a function for requesting a response from a transfer-destination another receiver-side telephone indicating its availability to connect a call, upon receipt of a demand to transfer the voice communication to the transfer destination telephone; and

a function for notifying the an address of the receiver-side transfer-destination telephone that responded to a caller-side transfer source telephone upon receipt of a response from the transfer-destination telephone indicating its availability to connect a call.

Claims 2 and 3 (canceled).